

COMMON COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MARCH 1, 2005

- I. President Pro Tem Martha Myers called a regular meeting of the City Common Council to order at approximately 7:05 P.M.
 - A. Opening Prayer was given by Greg Tatum, Senior Minister at the First Christian Church.
 - B. Pledge – Craig Hawes led the Pledge of Allegiance.
 - C. Roll Call: Present: Jesse Brand, Ann DeVore, George Dutro, Robert Kittle, Martha Myers, August Tindell and Craig Hawes
 - D. Craig Hawes presented a letter to City Clerk Treasurer Brenda Sullivan stating that he was returning from active duty service and that he wished to continue his responsibilities on the Columbus City Council.
 - E. Acceptance of Minutes from the previous meeting: Ann Devore moved to approve the minutes from the last regularly scheduled meeting of February 15, 2005. August Tindell seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.
- II. Unfinished Business Requiring Council Action
 - A. Second reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO.3, 2005, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING MAP, A PART OF TITLE 17 (THE ZONING ORDINANCE) OF THE CODE OF LAWS OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA, RE-ZONING THE SUBJECT PROPERTY FROM “AG” (AGRICULTURAL) TO “SU-11” (SPECIAL USE-PUBLIC BUILDINGS & USES.” (Clay Township Fire Dept.) Jeff Bergman briefly explained the re-zoning before the Council. Robert Kittle moved to approve the Ordinance. Ann DeVore seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.
 - B. Second reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO. 4, 2005, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONNING MAP, A PART OF TITLE 17 (THE ZONING ORDINANCE) OF THE CODE OF LAWS OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA, RE-ZONING THE SUBJECT PROPERTY FROM “PUD” (PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT) TO “R-6C” (MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL).” (Charles Blunck) Jeff Bergman briefly explained the re-zoning before the Council. There was some explanation as to the three (3) conditions attached. George Dutro moved to approve the Ordinance. Ann DeVore seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.
 - C. Second reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO.5, 2005, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING MAP, A PART OF TITLE 17 (THE ZONING ORDINANCE) OF THE CODE OF LAWS OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA, RE-ZONING THE SUBJECT PROPERTY FROM “R-6” (MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO “B-1” (NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS).” (John Freed) Jeff Bergman explained this was again before the Council and that certain conditions were sited in a Memorandum sent to the Council Members. The Memorandum contained four (4) conditions. Mark Linderlaub, representative for Housing Partnership, Robert Weeks and Brad Burke spoke in opposition to the re-zoning. August Tindell moved to deny the Ordinance. The motion failed because of lack of a second. Robert

Kittle moved to approve the motion with the conditions mentioned in the Memorandum. George Dutro seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 1.

III. New Business Requiring Council Action

- A. Public Hearing and Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO.7, 2005, A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING RESOLUTION 4 THE DECLARATION OF A CERTAIN AREA WITHIN THE CITY OF COLUMBUS AND ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AREA AND QUALIFYING CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY, IMPROVEMENTS AND MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT FOR PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT.” (Harold and or David Force) Vickie Gochenour spoke on behalf of Harold Force. City Attorney Tim Coriden explained this procedure. Vickie indicated there had been no opposition to this Resolution. Craig Hawes moved to pass the Resolution. Robert Kittle seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.
- B. Public Hearing and Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO. 8, 2005, A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING RESOLUTION 5 THE DECLARATION OF A CERTAIN AREA WITHIN THE CITY OF COLUMBUS AND ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AREA AND QUALIFYING CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY IMPROVEMENTS AND MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT FOR PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT.” (landowner Vera E.Force) Vickie Gochenour explained this was exactly as the Resolution before only a different piece of property. Craig Hawes moved to approve the Resolution. August Tindell seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.
- C. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO.9, 2005, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CLERK-TREASURER TO EXECUTE STATEMENT OF BENEFIT FORMS IN CONJUNCTION WITH AN APPLICATION FOR TAX ABATEMENT IN A PREVIOUSLY DESIGNATED ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AREA ON BEHALF OF CALTHERM CORPORATION PURSUANT TO INDIANA CODE 6-1.1-12.1-7.” Vickie Gochenour explained Caltherm Corporation was asking for tax abatement on an investment of \$4,300,000 in property and facilities and \$1,000,000 in new manufacturing equipment. As a result of the expansion, 150 jobs would be retained and 35 jobs will be added by December, 2007. Mr. Dennis Sabau, Vice President for Caltherm Corporation, spoke on behalf of the corporation. He showed and explained the product they produced. Robert Kittle reported that the Incentive Review Committee had met and found Caltherm to be in substantial compliance. Craig Hawes moved to pass the Resolution. Ann Devore seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.
- D. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO.10, 2005, A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA, AMENDING A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A MASTER LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH THE FINANCING OF THE PROCUREMENT OF CERTAIN FURNISHINGS AND OTHER EQUIPMENT FOR THE COLUMBUS LEARNING CENTER AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS.” Chris Beach explained the Resolution before the Council. She indicated she wished the City Clerk Treasurer to be authorized to sign her claims in

the event the Mayor was out of town. Discussion followed. City Attorney Tim Coriden recommended rather than City Clerk Treasurer sign that the Board of Public Works and Safety be authorized to sign. Ann DeVore moved to amend the Resolution to read **“to authorize the Mayor and/or the Board of Public Works and Safety of the City, and each of them individually, to execute any and all of the Lease Related Documents”**. Robert Kittle seconded the motion. The motion to amend the original Resolution passed by a vote of 7 to 0. George Dutro moved to approve the Amended Resolution. Ann DeVore seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.

- E. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO.11, 2005, A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS TO DESIGNATE THE USE OF CERTAIN APPROPRIATIONS IN THE 2005 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGET FOR “B” PRIORITY ITEMS.” Steve Ruble explained this was a Resolution asking that a capital appropriation be released. August Tindell moved to approve the Resolution. Ann DeVore seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.
- F. First reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO.____,2005 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF DRAINAGE FACILITIES.” Steve Ruble stated this Ordinance explains the responsibility for maintenance of drainage facilities. Robert Kittle moved to place the Ordinance in proper channels. Ann DeVore seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.

I. Other Business

- A. Standing Committee and Liaison Reports
- B. Martha Myers indicated the committees Craig Hawes would be assigned Since his return from active duty.
- C. Robert Kittle reported he had been to the airport land use meeting and what was happening in that regard. He informed the Council Members that the ambulance survey was on schedule.
- D. Ann DeVore spoke of the art show that would be presented on Earth Day made with recyclable items and also the hands-on art program for the children.
- E. George Dutro explained to the audience the definition of tax abatement.
- E. The next scheduled meeting of the Columbus City Council is Tuesday March 15, 2005 at 7:00 o’clock P.M. in the Council Chambers.

- F. Adjourn – Martha Myers moved to adjourn the meeting. Jessie Brand seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0. The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:07 o’clock P.M.

Presiding Officer of the Common Council

Attest:

Columbus City Clerk Treasurer